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#### Via DelaFile

July 2, 2015

Ms. Donna L. Nickerson, Secretary Delaware Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Cannon Building, Suite 100 Dover, Delaware 19904

Dear Ms. Nickerson:

Artesian Water Company, Inc. CPCN Application- Alves RE:

Enclosed please find a CPCN Application filed on behalf of Artesian Water Company, Inc. to provide water service to 2 parcels in Sussex County controlled by Seashore Highway Associates, LLC. AWC paid the required \$300 application fee electronically through the Commission's electronic portal Delafile.

Please feel free to contact me at (302) 453-6995 should you have any questions regarding this application.

Sincerely,

David L. Valcarenghi

Manager of Rates and Regulation

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John Barndt, DNREC, Division of Water Resources- via email cc:

Grover Ingle, Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office

Constance Holland, Delaware Office of State Planning

John Ashman, Sussex County Engineering Department

David Bonar, Delaware Division of the Public Advocate

#### BEFORE THE DELAWARE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

# APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY

This application is filed consistent with the requirements of Delaware Code 26 <u>Del. C.</u> §203C.

Type of Utility Service: Water Service

### I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

A). Full legal name and address of Applicant:

## ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC. ("AWC") 664 CHURCHMANS ROAD NEWARK, DE 19702

B).	Utility Contact:	<u>DAVID L. VALCARENGHI</u>
C).	Phone No.:	(302) 453-699 <u>5</u>
Ď).	Fax No.:	(302) 369-4041
E).	Email:	dvalcarenghi@artesianwater.com

#### II. BASIS FOR APPLICATION

A.	The Applicant is in possession of a signed service agreement with the developer of a proposed subdivision or development, which subdivision or development has been duly approved by the respective county government. (26 <u>Del.</u> <u>C.</u> § 203C (e) (1) (b) (1)).
X_B.	The Applicant has one or more petitions requesting wastewater service from the applicant executed by the landowners of record of each parcel or property to be encompassed within the proposed territory to be served. (26 <u>Del.</u> C. § 203C (e) (1) (b) (2)).
C.	The Applicant, in the case of existing development, subdivision, or generally recognized unincorporated community has one or more petitions requesting water service from the applicant executed by the landowners of record of parcels and properties that constitute a majority of the parcels or properties in the existing development, subdivision, or unincorporated community. (26 <u>Del. C.</u> § 203C (e) (1) (b) (3)).
D.	The Applicant possess a certified copy of a resolution or ordinance from the governing body of a municipality that requests, directs, or authorizes

the applicant to provide wastewater services to the proposed territory to be

served, which must be located within the boundary of such county and municipality. (26 <u>Del. C.</u> § 203C((e)(1)(b)(4))

#### III. PROCEDURE

A. Artesian Water Company, Inc. (AWC) requests that this application be reviewed pursuant to an informal fact finding procedure.

#### IV. PETITIONS FOR UTILITY SERVICE

- A. Customer Petitions requesting Service- Exhibit A
- B. Customer Notifications of CPCN Application- Exhibit B
- C. Proposed Parcels Included in CPCN- Exhibit C
- D. AWC Certification of Information Accuracy- Exhibit D

#### V. IDENTIFICATION OF PARCELS

- A. Application includes 1 Parcel situated in Sussex County, Delaware
  - 1. The specific parcel is identified on Exhibit C
  - 2. The parcel is located in Lewes, E & W RT 321 and can be connected to the system through a main extension.
- B. AWC provides water service to customers throughout Delaware on both a regional and stand-alone community basis through the use of a vast distribution network that includes sources of supply, treatment, and storage and transmission facilities.
- C. Tax Maps Exhibit C.

#### VI. FINANCIAL AND OPERATIONAL CAPABILITIES

- A. Complete details of the Company are on file with the Commission, including information on Company's finances, and operational and managerial capabilities. A number of reports are on file with the Commission that detail AWC's financial and operational performance.
- B. AWC has been in the business of providing a safe, secure, reliable water supply for customers for over 100 years.
- C. AWC is an affiliate of Artesian Resources Corporation. Information that details the organizational structure of ARC and affiliates is on file with the Commission.
- D. AWC currently serves approximately 81,000 customers throughout the state of Delaware.

- E. AWC facilities are operated by fully licensed operators that have operated in full compliance with applicable federal and state rules, regulations, and laws.
- F. AWC provides water service at all times to present customers of at least the minimum water pressure threshold of 25 pounds. AWC states that it will provide service to the parcel that meet or exceed the water pressure guidelines.
- G. AWC provides superior service and is not subject to any orders from the Commission that found that the Company materially failed to provide adequate or proper safe water services to existing customers.
- H. AWC is not subject to a ruling, decision or finding from DNREC or any other regulatory authority that found the Company materially failed to comply with applicable safe drinking water or water quality standards.

#### VII. OTHER

- A. AWC's CPCN Application is fully consistent with prior Commission decisions.
- B. This CPCN has been forwarded, for informational purposes, to the following parties:
  - 1. John Barndt, DNREC, Division of Water Resources- via email
  - 2. Grover Ingle, Delaware State Fire Marshall's Office
  - 3. Constance Holland, Delaware Office of State Planning
  - 4. John Ashman, Sussex County Engineering Department
  - 5. David Bonar, Delaware Division of the Public Advocate

Respectfully Submitted,

David B. Spacht

Artesian Water Company, Inc.

Chief Financial Officer & Treasurer

## **AFFIDAVIT**

STATE OF DELAWARE  ) SS  COUNTY OF New CASNE  On this Add day of Long , 2015, personally came before me, the subscriber, a Notary Public in and for the state and county aforesaid, David B. Spacht, the CFO and Treasurer of Artesian Water Company, Inc. known to me personally to be such or having presented to me satisfactory evidence of identity, and acknowledged this document to be his act and deed and the act and deed of such corporation, that the
signature of such individual is in his own proper handwriting, and that the facts set forth in this application are true and correct to the best of his knowledge, information, and belief.  Signature of individual
Printed Name
SIGNED AND SWORN (OR AFFIRMED) before me on this day of day of, 20/5
Signature of Delaware Notarial Officer  Notary  Title (e.g., Notary Public)  Signature of Delaware Notarial Officer  APRIL 10, 2016  OF DELAWARIAN  OF DELAW
My Commission Expires:  April 10, 20/6

# **EXHIBIT A**

# **Artesian Water Company Water Service Petition**

We the undersigned, request to be included in the water service territory of Artesian Water Company, Inc. for the following property in Sussex County, Delaware.

Parcel Nos.:	135-16.00-26.00	
Property Description:	Misc A/C Sussex County, RD. GEOLEWES 321, 2200'	, E & W/RT.
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IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION AT (302) 736-7500 (in Delaware, call 800-282-8574).

Return to Artesian Water Company, Inc. 664 Churchmans Road Newark, DE 19702 Attn: Lauri A. Major

# Sussex County, Delaware - Zoning and Sales Information

#### PROPERTY DETAILS

- General Information
- · Appraisal & Assessment Info
- Sales Info
- · Map of Property

# **General Information**

#### District-Map-Parcel:

1-35 16.00 26.00

#### Owner(s) Names:

ALVES, MARGUERITE WILSON

#### Property Legal Description:

RD.GEO.-LEWES E & W/RT.321, 2200'

#### Billing Address:

214 STERLING AVE NEW CASTLE, DE 19720

#### Land Use:

Farm in Farmland Assessment Act

#### Zoning:

Agricultural/Residential

#### Town/Municipality:

-No Town or Municipality Specified-

#### Fire District(s):

Georgetown Fire District

#### Tax Ditch(es):

-No Ditch Records-

#### Sewer/Water

District:

-No Sewer Records-

#### Watershed:

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100 YEARS OF SUPERIOR SERVICE

664 Churchmans Road, Newark, Delaware 19702 P.O. Box 15004, Wilmington, Delaware 19850 ENCLOSED IS IMPORTANT
INFORMATION FROM THE PUBLIC
SERVICE COMMISSION THAT
AFFECTS YOUR RIGHTS REGARDING
WATER SERVICE

Mrs. Marguerite Wibon alives 214 Sterling avenue New Castle, De 19720

#### YOU SHOULD READ THIS NOTICE CAREFULLY

Public records list you as a landowner of the property with the following tax map parcel identification number(s): 135-16.00-26.00.

Within thirty-five (35) days, Artesian Water Company, Inc. plans to file an application with the Delaware Public Service Commission requesting a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) to provide water service to a new territory described as Sussex 060115. Water service can be provided through a water main extension.

Artesian Water Company, Inc. has included your property in the territory it intends to serve. Artesian Water Company, Inc. is unable to estimate when it will provide water service to Sussex 060115.

IF YOU DO NOT TAKE ANY ACTION NOW, YOU MAY LOSE YOUR CHOICE OF WHO CAN PROVIDE WATER SERVICE TO YOUR PROPERTY AND WHETHER YOU CAN OBTAIN A WELL PERMIT.

- 1) You may choose to be included in the utility's proposed service territory. If you signed a petition for water service asking to be included in the utility's proposed service territory, or, if you did not sign a petition for water service but want to be included, you do not have to take any action.
- You have the right to "opt-out" of the utility's proposed service territory. If you "opt-out", your property will not be included in the utility's service territory. You can do this even though others in Sussex 060115 might desire water service from the utility. You should understand that being included in a utility's service territory does not mean that public water service will be immediately available to your property or that, when available, you will be required to hook-up to the public water system. However, if your property is included in the utility's water service territory, and later the water from the well providing your drinking water cannot be used, the Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control might deny you a permit for a new well if public water is available to your property. On the other hand, if you elect to "opt-out" of the utility's service territory, but later change your mind and decide to connect to the utility's public water system, you could be charged additional fees.
- 3) You may object to the Public Service Commission granting a Certificate for Sussex 060115. For example, you may object that the water utility does not have the legal right to serve the territory. You should review the law about what a utility must provide in order to obtain a Certificate (contact the Public Service Commission to obtain a copy of the law). If you file such an objection, you will need to tell the Public Service Commission why the utility should not receive the Certificate. Please note that an objection will not remove your property from a proposed service territory. To remove your property from the service territory, you must request to "opt-out."

Attached to this letter is a form which allows you (and other owners of the property) to exercise your options. You have seventy-five (75) days from your receipt of this notice to file your objection with the Commission. Although you may exercise your right to "opt-out" of the utility's service territory at any time before the Certificate is granted, if you choose to opt-out, it is requested that you complete the form and

return it to the Public Service Commission at the address listed below within seventy-five (75) days from the date you receive this notice:

Delaware Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Cannon Building, Suite 100 Dover, Delaware 19904

If you want to "opt-out" or object, you must send the completed form to the Public Service Commission, even if you already informed the utility of your intent to "opt-out" or object.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please contact the Public Service Commission at (302) 736-7500 (in Delaware, call 800-282-8574).

#### PROPERTY OWNEROPT-OUT/OBJECT FORM

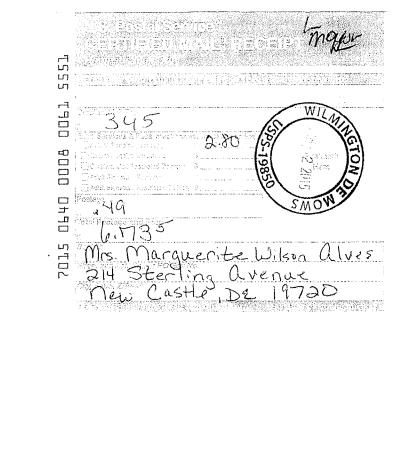
Delaware Public Service Commission 861 Silver Lake Boulevard Cannon Building, Suite 100 Dover, Delaware 19904

Dear Delaware Public Service Commission:

I/We are the recorded property owner(s), according to current tax records, for the following property/properties: 135-16.00-26.00

We received a notice from Artesian Water Company, Inc. that it plans to file an application with the Delaware Public Service Commission for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (Certificate) to provide water service to a proposed service territory described by Artesian Water Company, Inc. as Sussex 060115 (hereafter, "Proposed Service Territory").

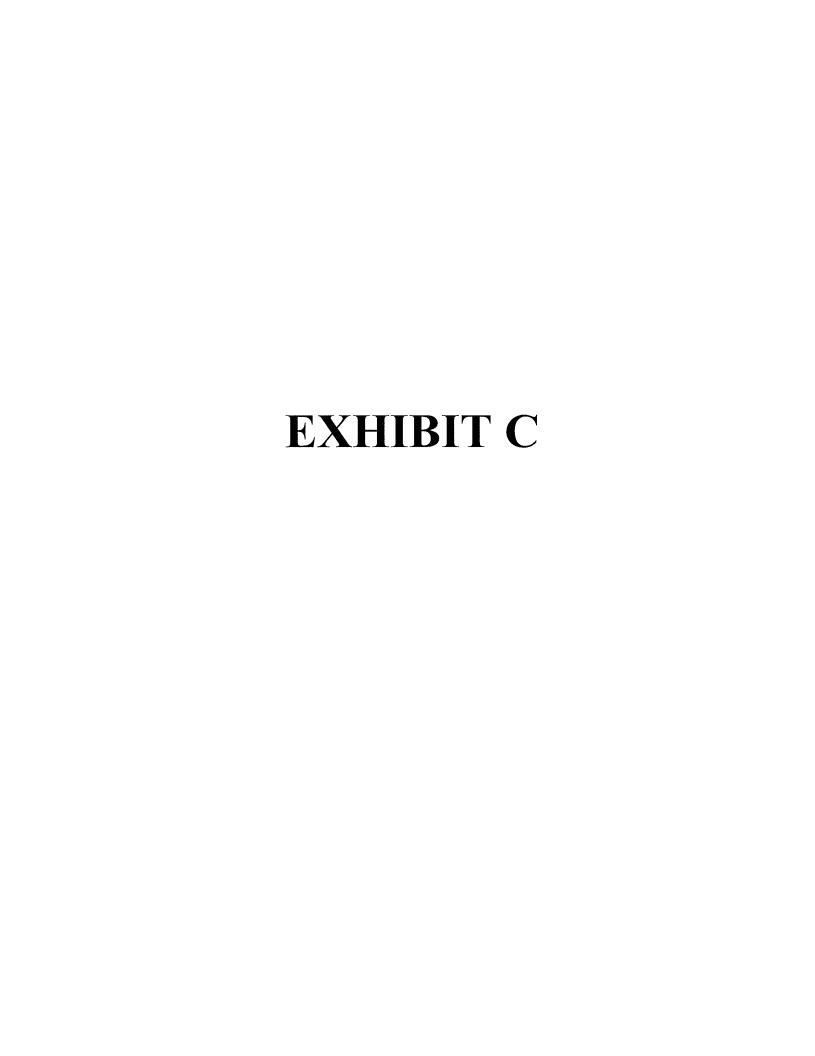
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Convenience and Neces am not merely objecting as permitted by electing Company, Inc. to provid	to the Artesian Water Company, Inc.'s application for the Certificatity. I understand that by objecting to the Artesian Water Company, Inc.'s a to being included in the Proposed Service Territory (in which case, I may me to opt out above), but rather am objecting to the Commission authorizing Artewater service to <i>any territory</i> within the Proposed Service Territory, including ty. The basis of my objection is as follows:	application I erely opt out tesian Water
Property Owner(s):	[Property Owner Name] [Property Owner Address]	
Owner's Signature	Date:	



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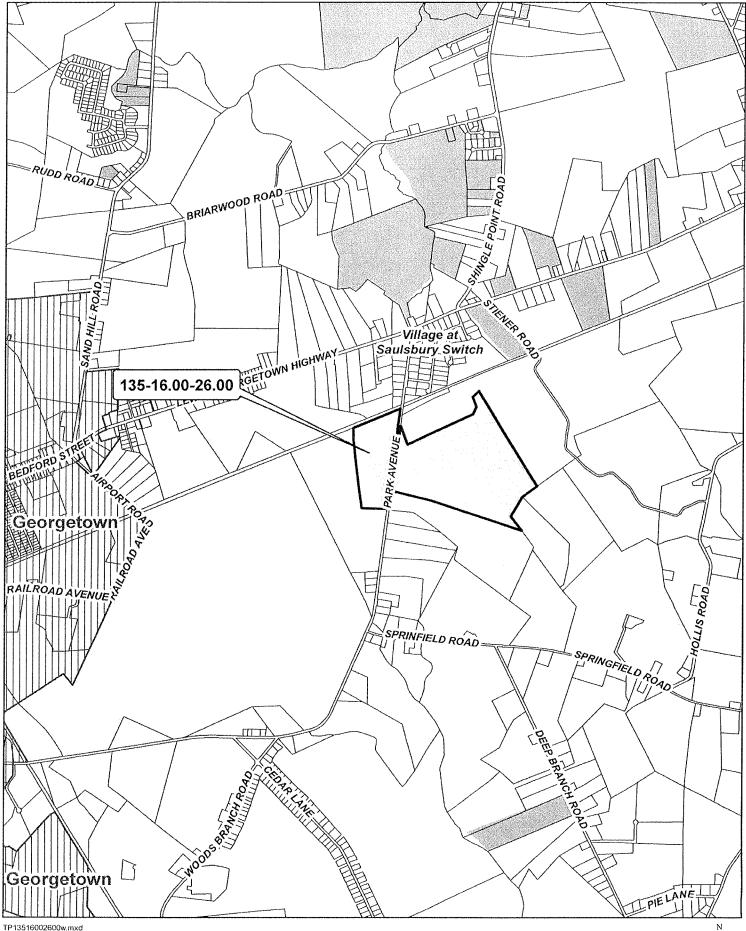
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ARTESIAN WATER COMPANY, INC. Alves Property Proposed Parcels Included in CPCN Application

PROPERTY	DESCRIPTION	RD GEO- LEWES E & W/RT 321, 2200'
	ZIP	19720
	STATE	DE
MAILING ADDRESS	CITY STATE	New Castle
MAILING	STREET	214 Sterling Avenue
OWNER	NAME	Marguerite Alves
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# **EXHIBIT D**

# **Certification of Landowner Information Accuracy**

I certify that I received appropriate tax or land documents which verify that the individuals in this Application are either landowners of record or agents authorized to act on behalf of entities that control the parcel(s) included in this CPCN Application. I certify that the petitions to provide water service to parcel(s) noted in this Application have been signed by landowners or by dually authorized agents.

Mavid L. Valcarenghi

David L. Valcarenghi